

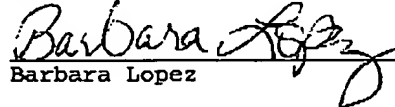
008  
**RECEIVED**  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER  
FEB 26 2004

PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**OFFICIAL**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 26, 2004 at (703) 872-9306.

  
Barbara Lopez

Appl No. : 09/734,237 Confirmation No. 8315  
Applicant : J. David Rozzell, Jr., et al.  
Filed : December 8, 2000  
Title : SYNTHETIC GENES FOR ENHANCED EXPRESSION  
  
TC/A.U. : 1637  
Examiner : Young J. Kim  
  
Docket No. : 40608/JDC/B583  
Customer No. : 23363

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Post Office Box 7063  
Pasadena, CA 91109-7063  
February 26, 2004

Commissioner:

In response to the Office action of August 27, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet. An Appendix including amended drawings figures is attached following page 6 of this paper.

Appln No. 09/734,237

Amdt date February 26, 2004

Reply to Office action of August 27, 2003

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.